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0-5	Petition		
	The undersigned requests that the present international application be processed according to the Patent Cooperation Treaty		
0-6	Receiving Office (specified by the applicant)	Japan Patent Office (RO/JP)	
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V	Designation of States	
V V-1	Regional Patent (other kinds of protection or treatment, if any, are specified between parentheses after the designation(s) concerned)	AP: GH GM KE LS MW MZ SD SL SZ TZ UG ZM ZW and any other State which is a Contracting State of the Harare Protocol and of the PCT EA: AM AZ BY KG KZ MD RU TJ TM and any other State which is a Contracting State of the Eurasian Patent Convention and of the PCT EP: AT BE BG CH&LI CY CZ DE DK EE ES FI FR GB GR HU IE IT LU MC NL PT SE SI SK TR and any other State which is a Contracting State of the European Patent Convention and of the PCT (except RO)
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V-2	National Patent (other kinds of protection or treatment, if any, are specified between parentheses after the designation(s) concerned)	AE AG AL AM AT AU AZ BA BB BG BR BY BZ CA CH&LI CN CO CR CU CZ DE DK DM DZ EC EE ES FI GB GD GE GH GM HR HU ID IL IN IS KE KG KP KR KZ LC LK LR LS LT LU LV MA MD MG MK MN MW MX MZ NO NZ OM PH PL PT RO RU SC SD SE SG SK SL TJ TM TN TR TT TZ UA UG US UZ VC VN YU ZA ZM ZW
V-5	Precautionary Designation Statement In addition to the designations made under items V-1, V-2 and V-3, the applicant also makes under Rule 4.9(b) all designations which would be permitted under the PCT except any designation(s) of the State(s) indicated under item V-6 below. The applicant declares that those additional designations are subject to confirmation and that any designation which is not confirmed before the expiration of 15 months from the priority date is to be regarded as withdrawn by the applicant at the expiration of that time limit.	
V-6	Exclusion(s) from precautionary designations	NONE
VI-1-1 VI-1-2 VI-1-3	Priority claim of earlier national application Filing date Number	28 March 2002 (28.03.2002) 2002-90581 JP
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/I-2	Priority document request		
	The receiving Office is requested to prepare and transmit to the International Bureau a certified copy of the earlier application(s) identified	VI-1	
/II-1	above as item(s): International Searching Authority	Japan Patent Office	(JPO) (ISA/JP)
	Chosen		
'III	Declarations	Number of declarations	
'III-1	Declaration as to the identity of the inventor	-	
/III-2	Declaration as to the applicant's entitlement, as at the international filing date, to apply for and be granted a patent		
/III-3	Declaration as to the applicant's entitlement, as at the international filing date, to claim the priority of the earlier application	<u>-</u>	
/111-4	Declaration of inventorship (only for the purposes of the designation of the United States of America)	_	
/111-5	Declaration as to non-prejudicial disclosures or exceptions to lack of novelty		
X	Check list	number of sheets	electronic file(s) attached
X-1	Request (including declaration sheets)	5	-
X-2	Description	6	-
X-3	Claims	1.	<u> </u>
X-4	Abstract	1	
X-5	Drawings	1	-
X-7	TOTAL	14	
•	Accompanying items	paper document(s) attached	electronic file(s) attached
X-8	Fee calculation sheet	✓	
X-17	PCT-EASY diskette	_	Diskette
IX-19	Figure of the drawings which should accompany the abstract	1	
X-20	Language of filing of the international application	Japanese	
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X-2	Capacity		

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10-2	Drawings:	
10-2-1	Received	
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10-3	Corrected date of actual receipt due to later but timely received papers or drawings completing the purported international application	
10-4	Date of timely receipt of the required corrections under PCT Article 11(2)	
10-5	International Searching Authority	ISA/JP
10-6	Transmittal of search copy delayed until search fee is paid	

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